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Dont Be Alarmed Sunday As Test Air-Raid is Held

Sirens Will Sound, Defense Workers Respond

Timed Between Three and Five When Planes Appear

The first air raid drill and test of the local Civilian Defense Committee will be held Sunday afternoon, sometime between 3 and 5 o'clock, with the exact time not known until the shrieking siren and church bells announce the fact by short intermittent warnings. The test will simulate, exactly what should be expected in an actual happening. Defense headquarters will be at the town hall, where direct telephone communications will be maintained, and individuals should be careful not to use their phones, unnecessarily during the period.

Upon receipt of the alarm, air wardens, police, fire department, medical, guard, and first aid units will be called to stand ready and dispatched to the scene, not yet determined, where a bomb is presumed to have been dropped. While traffic on the streets will not be held up, as in a regular "blackout", motorists will exercise due discretion in the operation of their cars.

The signal for a "clear" will be a long blast on the sirens or the tolling of bells. The purpose of the test is to demonstrate the effectiveness or the weaknesses of the defense here. Eighteen towns in the county will hold their initial test on Sunday afternoon. George McEwan, chairman of the local defense committee, with Dr. Richard G. Holton, in charge of protective measures, will be at the town hall. Richard A. Cobb as chief air warden will be in charge of operations on the ground, Charles L. Johnson, chief of the fire department, will lead the fire-fighters, Dr. F. Wilton Dean, the medical division, Miss Hazel Schooley, the first aid corps. Members of the guard will be under command of Lieut. Harrison Stacey and the State Police will assist. This test is in preparation of four weekly tests to be held throughout the state in March.

The County Red Cross Chapter Adopts Budget

Following the recent meeting of the directors of the Franklin County Chapter of the American Red Cross the budget needed by the chapter for its work throughout the county was adopted. The budget will be supported by the \$6800 now in the treasury and the chapter's 15 per cent. share of the war fund, which may amount to about \$5000. In addition, a surplus of about \$1000 is expected to be available for emergencies.

The itemized budget follows: Office rent, \$360; salary of executive secretary, \$1560; substitute clerks, \$178; lights, \$15; cleaning, \$25; office supplies, \$30; printing and stationery, \$50; postage, \$100; telephone and telegraph, \$200; salary of production chairman, \$960; nursing salaries, \$700; general expenses, \$1400; exchange of car, \$400; glasses, etc., \$25; home services for men of armed forces and families, \$500; volunteer services, \$1285; roll call and other drives, \$200; retirement system, \$342.72; war relief production expenses, \$1300; contingent fund, \$1000; supplies for ambulances and first aid posts, \$500; and miscellaneous, \$50.

THE EMBLEM OF
CIVILIAN DEFENSE



J. W. FARLEY

Executive Director of the Massachusetts Committee on Public Safety and head of Civilian Defense.

Services and Events Congregational Church

Sunday at 10: Sunday School in all departments; 11, morning worship, sermon by Mr. Dahl: "Prayer is Power." 6:30, Christian Endeavor, consecration meeting; 8:15, Young People's Forum, Miss Eleanor Davis will speak on "Our Relations with Latin America."

Wednesday, the Missionary Society meets with Mrs. Charles Johnson. Study of "A Christian Imperative," led by Mrs. C. F. Taber and Mrs. M. E. Vorce.

Thursday, 10: Sewing Society all day meeting; 6:30, evening Lenten institute (see news item); 8:30, choir rehearsal.

The Unitarian Church

On Sunday at 10:45 o'clock a service of worship and sermon. Topic: "Jesus was a Small Town Man." This is the second of a Lenten series of sermons. Rev. Arthur Heeb, minister, Mrs. L. Percy Goodspeed, organist.

Church school at 9:45. Ernest Kenney will lead in the service, Winona Robinson in charge of the music.

Historical Society Observe Anniversary

On Tuesday the Northfield Historical Society will celebrate the twentieth anniversary of its founding. Dinner will be served at Bronson's Inn at 6:45 p. m. Judge Francis Mims Thompson, president of the Pocumtuck Valley Memorial Association, will be the speaker of the evening. It is expected that he will tell of some of his many and varied experiences as Judge of Probate Court in Franklin County.

Joseph W. Field, the first president of the society, will be the guest of honor. A cordial invitation is extended to all charter or former members and friends to join in this celebration.

Please make reservations with Dr. Bronson as promptly as possible.

Garden Club Meeting

Next Monday evening at 8 o'clock at Alexander Hall, the members of the Garden Club are to gather to hear a "symposium" by members on horticultural subjects. The care of lawns, the growing of roses, the choice of annuals and other subjects will be discussed. The speakers will be members, who have had unusual success with the facts of their subjects and a question box will follow.

Registered For Draft

State headquarters for the Selective draft have released the figures of the registration at the various centers in the state on Sunday and Monday of last week. Massachusetts registered a total of 273,164. Franklin county registered in its 28 centers, a total of 2,922, of which 1,219 are credited to the Montague draft board. No. 104, Northfield registered 98.

In Case Of Fire What You Should Do

In case of a fire in Northfield, and in view of the change over to the dial method of telephoning, you should acquaint yourself with some definite information, and Fire Chief Charles L. Johnson has requested the Press to inform its readers. In case of a fire, go immediately to your phone and dial 521. There will be an immediate response as alarm bells will ring in the homes of James Dale, Edward Bolton, Alfred Holton and Chief Johnson. Tell the responding party the location of the fire and they will in turn inform the firemen. In case of an emergency and no response is secured, dial the operator, who will contact the Chief. The most important thing to remember is to dial 521 in case of fire.

Called Into Service For Immediate Duty

Captain William M. Marshall of Highland avenue, for several years past in charge of policing the grounds and properties of Northfield Seminary, and a deputy sheriff, has been called into the service of the U. S. Army, in which he holds a commission. Mr. Marshall has a leave of absence



from his duties here and reports this week-end for assignment at an army camp.

Capt. Marshall is a member of the local Civilian Defense Committee and was designated as the Chief Air Warden for Northfield and through his efforts a splendid administration has been set up with a "watch station" now located on the grounds of the Northfield Hotel. Richard A. Cobb will succeed to the position as Chief Air Warden and begins his duties immediately. No announcement has been made of his successor at the Seminary.

Hostel Items

Peaslee Bond, former AYH staff member, has been sent by Hartley Productions, Inc., to the islands of St. Pierre and Miquelon to take movies. Mr. Bond has many friends in Northfield who wish him well.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wert of New York City visited at the youth hostel over the week-end. Mr. Wert is the former Miss Margaret Deane and was for some years a member of the AYH headquarters staff.

Miss Marge Brown of New York City and Bart Harvey of Amherst College were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Cullum last week-end.

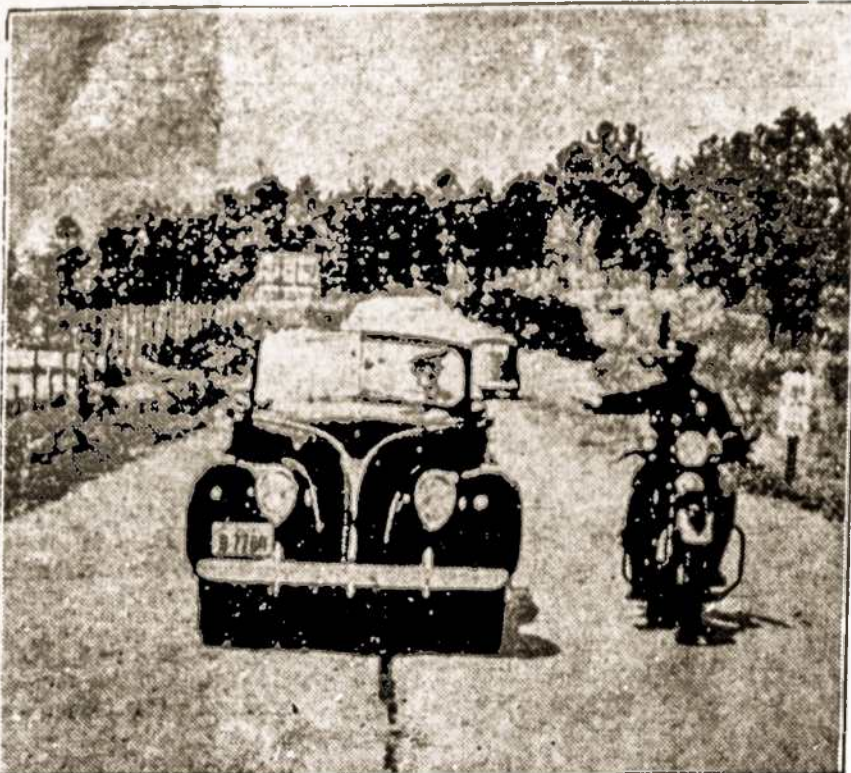
Mrs. Ruth Catchpool, house-mother at the youth hostel, has been the guest for a few days of Mrs. Mary N. Champney of Greenfield.

Miss Barbara Lloyd of Williamsburg was the week-end guest of Miss Ruth Kimball of the headquarters staff last week-end.

Walter Harding spent the week-end with his parents at Bridgewater and in research work at the libraries in Concord.

Young People's Forum

This Sunday evening at 8:15, A. D. Gibson of Mt. Hermon will speak to the Young People's Forum in the Congregational Church.



Speeding Must Stop. This is not a picture of our Main Street, the new highway through town, but it is a recorded incident of what may be expected here this summer, when the traffic regulations for speed are posted. Play safe and keep within "not over 25 miles per hour" limit.

Lenten Institute Tuttle To Address

The Rev. George Tuttle of Monterey, Field Secretary of the Massachusetts Congregational Conference and Missionary Society, will be the guest preacher at the second session of the Lenten Institute, held next Thursday evening (March 5th) at the Congregational Church. Mr. Tuttle is well known in Northfield, as he has supplied the Congregational pulpit several times in recent years. Having supervision of all the Congregational Christian Churches of western Massachusetts, he is often referred to as "Bishop" of this area. He was last in Northfield to take part in the ordination of Mr. Dahl in the fall. Mr. Tuttle will speak at the service in the church beginning at 7:45. As previously announced, the fellowship supper will be served at 6, followed by four classes in Bible, Missions, Teaching, and Church Membership at 7. Mr. Tuttle will be present at the supper to meet informally his many friends in the community. All are welcome to any session of the institute.

Use The Sun's Heat

"Take a tip from the farm women of New England. Watch your window shades. Let the sun help heat your home, and thus conserve fuel," Commissioner of Agriculture Mark Galusha, says, in view of the fact that we may face a shortage of fuel oil.

"Farmers' wives have long followed the practice during severe cold weather of raising their shades to the very top on all windows where the sun shines in," says the Commissioner. "They have thereby learned to utilize every possible ray of warm sunshine. Then at night they are very careful to pull the shades all the way down to help keep the heat in and check the loss through the cold window glass. Some farm women go even further and put papers under the shades at the sides and bottom of the window as a sort of home-made weather-strip."

"Don't worry about furniture or rugs fading when the sun pours in," he adds. "Cover up any such furniture if you want to, but get all the sun you can. Push the lace curtains aside. Never mind how it looks from the outside. This is an emergency. Remember, it's the inside temperature that you are interested in from now until warm weather."

Items of Interest

The trustees of Colgate university have called to its presidency, Everett N. Case, 40 year old dean of the Harvard Graduate School of Business Administration. He will succeed Dr. George B. Cutten, who retires after 20 years of service.

The Berkshire Symphonic Festival will again this summer be held at Lenox. There will be a series of nine concerts in August, given by the Boston Symphony orchestra. The opening is July 30 and the programs will be given Thursday and Saturday evenings and Sunday afternoons.

The annual chess and checker contest of players of western Massachusetts was held at the Springfield Y. M. C. A. on Monday and although invitations were extended, no participants came from Northfield.

Hermion Dramatic Club To Present a Comedy, "Mr. and Mrs. North"

On Thursday evening, March 26, the Mount Hermon school Dramatic Club will present "Mr. and Mrs. North" in Camp Hall. It will be a supreme undertaking and rehearsals have already begun for the comedy, which has had a fine reception from the public on the Broadway stage. The story of the play is probably quite familiar to all, as the newspapers have printed frequently concerning it and the critics are loud in their appreciation of its various presentations. The cast of characters in its production at Hermon is as follows:

Mr. North	Perry Bascom
Buono	Frank Peckmann
Mrs. North	Mrs. Meehan
Claire Brent	Mrs. Peltz
Louis Brex	Winston Maker
Jane Wilson	Mrs. Allen
Ben Wilson	Philip Ozab
Clinton Edwards	Grant Whitcomb

Cooper, a policeman, Roger Brown Mrs. Brooks Mrs. Meyers Mrs. Brooks Robert B. Cook Lieut. Weigand Louis Piper Detective Mullins Sheldon Katz Fuller Brush Man Roger Young Timothy Barnes Robert Roy Inspector O'Malley Harold Yeager Brent William Arot

Other roles, including those of an ambulance driver, a police expert, etc., will be filled by Herbert Beizer, Donald Johnson, and Norman Baker.

The talents of Mrs. G. Ottomar Fiedler have been enlisted for the designing of the set for the play, while Miss McDonald will have charge of most of the make-up of the players. Other technical positions have been created which will be filled by some of the 53 club members not taking acting parts. Warner Plummer has been appointed Property Manager, and J. J. Roberts was delegated to head a Publicity Committee.

Lenten Vespers At Greenfield Church

At the Union Lenten Vesper service at the Second Congregational Church in Greenfield on Sunday from 4 to 5, the speaker will be S. K. Ratcliffe of London, journalist and lecturer, whose subject will be "The peace that must come." Special music by Mrs. Ernestine B. Erickson, soprano, and Raymond J. Wilson, trumpeter. Quite a number from Northfield attended the service last Sunday and a cordial invitation is extended to all.

The Fortnightly

Last week at the Fortnightly meeting Miss Mildred Briggs gave a very comprehensive lecture on "The Old Bed and Its Coverings." Sketches of beds from primitive to modern styles, samples of homepun blankets and coverlets demonstrated her subject most interestingly. The Fortnightly chorus rendered several song selections.

On March 6 the Fortnightly will hear Miss Eleanor Davis of the Northfield Seminary faculty speak on "Current Events."

Harmony Lodge of Masons held their regular monthly communication at the Masonic Hall last Wednesday evening.

Local Women Consider Allied Relief Exchange And Arrange Meetings

At the home of Mrs. A. P. Fitt, on Monday afternoon, a large number of local women attended a gathering in the interest of relief for allied nations and heard a talk on Russian Relief by Mrs. L. Cushing Goodhue of Boston, who represents the Massachusetts Committee on Russian War Relief. Mrs. Goodhue spoke of the needs of the Russian people and how they are suffering for the things that might make them comfortable. The need is urgent for medical supplies and instruments. The contributions secured are sent here and supplies purchased are sent forward in the ships carrying the lease-lend supplies. Mrs. E. M. Powell, who with her mother was hostess for the meeting, presided and called upon local members of other Relief organizations for a word of their progress, and several responded.

After discussion it was decided to hold similar gatherings every month, at which time plans might be made co-operatively to aid all by arranging large affairs. The sessions will be styled an "Allied Relief Exchange". The next meeting will be held at the Homestead with Mrs. William R. Moody, when a "dress sale" will be announced for the benefit of Virginia Camp which still needs \$40 to wipe out its debt. The date is Saturday, March 14, from 3 to 6 o'clock. Those who attended the meeting Monday were privileged to hear of the progress and work of "Bundles for Britain"; Bundles for Bluejackets"; China Relief; British War Relief; Victory Book Campaign and other agencies including the Red Cross in its production work. Mrs. Powell displayed on a large table many articles, which have been contributed or were to be sold for relief purposes.

Towns' County Tax Shares Announced

Greenfield will pay \$64,762.48 as its share of the county tax in 1942, it is announced by the county commissioners, who disclosed that the total tax for the county will be \$160,676.47, identical with last year's levy.

The share of each town will be as follows: Ashfield, \$2732.59; Bernardston, \$2186.07; Buckland, \$6148.32; Charlemont, \$2049.45; Colrain, \$3689; Conway, \$2,322.70; Deerfield, \$8880.92; Erving, \$4782.04; Gill, \$2322.70; Hawley, \$546.52; Heath, \$819.78; Leverett, \$1229.67; Leyden, \$683.15; Monroe, \$2186.07; Montague, \$22,270.63; New Salem, \$819.78; Northfield, \$4508.78; Orange, \$11,476.89; Rowe, \$1,502.93; Shelburne, \$6968.11; Shutesbury, \$819.78; Sunderland, \$2869.22; Warwick, \$819.78; Wendell, \$683.15; and Whately, \$2595.95.

Members of Harmony Lodge of Masons have been invited to attend the session of the Northfield Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, to be held at Masonic hall on next Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock. There will be provided a social evening with entertainment and an address by C. C. Compton of the faculty of Mount Hermon school.

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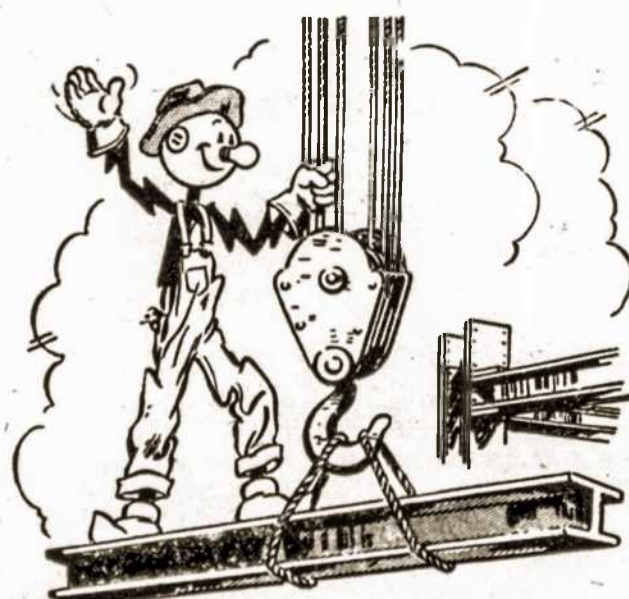
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TOWN TOPICS

A group of students from the Seminary conducted the meeting of the Epworth League at the Methodist Church in Greenfield last Sunday evening.

The public schools which closed for a week's vacation last Friday, will reopen on next Monday morning.

It is expected that sugar rationing will begin here shortly after the middle of March. You will be expected to tell how much sugar you have on hand, register your family and obtain a book of stamps.

Frank V. Sylvester, Jr., of this town has received physical and mental tests for enlistment in the air service of the nation.

Inasmuch as many residents of this town are employed at the Millers Falls Tool Co., efforts are being made to run a bus between Northfield and Millers Falls to carry employees and thus eliminate the use of individual autos.

The annual Legion Oratorical Contest of the Franklin-Hampshire district was held last evening (Thursday) at the Jones Library in Amherst. There was no contestant from Northfield.

The Fire Department was called out last Saturday at noon for a chimney fire at the home of Russell Hale at Northfield Farms. No damage was reported.

Dr. and Mrs. Allen H. Wright are enjoying the fine sunshine and weather at Fort Lauderdale, Fla. They expect to return to Northfield next Tuesday when they hope the cold spell will have ended.

Richard D. Birdsall, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Birdsall of Mount Hermon, has made the dean's list at Yale University, where he is a freshman. He holds a Sterling memorial scholarship.

Since the article in the Press announcing "grosbeaks" being seen here, many have come forward stating that they have observed the birds about their premises also since the middle of December.

Officials of the local Grange who attended the officers' meeting in Greenfield last week Thursday, conducted by the State Grange, were Mr. and Mrs. Emory Rikert, Mrs. Geneva Dawe, Lewis Shine and Mrs. Dorothy Miller.

Charles D. Thompson, economics and history instructor at Mount Hermon school, addressed the meeting of the Greenfield Kiwanis Club on Tuesday.

Several local persons were invited to attend the annual meeting of the Pocumtuck Valley Memorial Association which was held at Deerfield on Tuesday. Herbert C. Parsons, former editor and social worker and Northfield native, was eulogized at the meeting. Mr. Parsons had been an active member. Dr. George Bronson extended the greetings of the local historical society.

A card received from Rev. W. W. Coe, who is spending the winter at Claremont, Calif., extends his greetings.

The Ladies' Benevolent Society of Northfield Farms met Wednesday afternoon at the Farm Library and ended their session with a covered dish supper.

Since many inquiries have been received regarding the summer conferences held here each summer on the Seminary campus, the Press next week will publish all the information available regarding them. All are scheduled and it is expected they will be largely attended.

This Is An Auxiliary Fireman

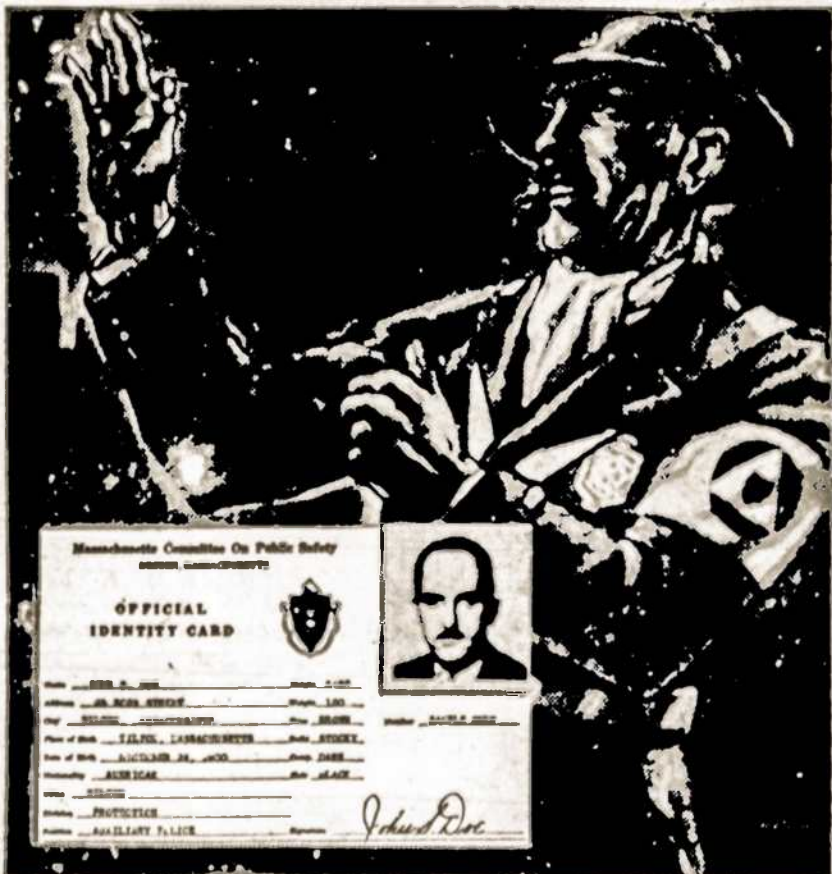


HIS IDENTIFICATION. A fire-red maltese cross set in a white triangle, encircled by a blue background, marks the identifying arm-band of your auxiliary fireman, as approved by the Massachusetts Committee on Public Safety. At all times he carries an identification card like the one pictured above.

HIS TRAINING. Citizens of good character and good build, and preferably men not subject to military draft, are selected for training in this service. In all communities responsible fire officials have established a training routine that is as rigid and thorough as the procedure followed by all regular full-time professional fire-fighters.

HIS DUTY. The duties of your Civilian Defense auxiliary fireman are similar to those of the regular fire-fighting forces. Should incendiary bombs drop, starting simultaneous fires over a large area, a well-trained and equipped group such as this will be able to deal with the emergency.

This Is An Auxiliary Policeman



HIS IDENTIFICATION. A red shield, set in a white triangle, encircled by a blue background, marks the arm-band of your Massachusetts Committee on Public Safety auxiliary police member. He also carries an identification card like the one above.

HIS TRAINING. Selected by the local Chief of Police in numbers adequate to meet expected emergencies, citizens are subjected to an intensive training in the primary lessons of police work in public safety. All chosen for this important task are men of honor and standing in their communities.

HIS AUTHORITY. Police functions in which auxiliary members assist include enforcement of lighting restrictions and the law of trespass; guarding of docks, bridges, factories and other key points to prevent sabotage; traffic duty, assistance to air raid protection services; and the prevention of looting in affected areas during and after raids.

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The Scholarship is for enrollment in September, 1942, in the first year of the Conservatory course for the Diploma or Bachelor of Music. The candidate must possess outstanding ability in his or her particular field, must have a good scholastic record, and must be in need of the assistance the Scholarship affords. This applies to either type of Scholarship. Candidates will be recommended by their principal or music supervisor.

A special Scholarship of \$350 will be awarded to a holder of the High School Scholarship for the year 1942-1943 who has attained the best scholastic record for his freshman year at the Conservatory. Requests for further information are to be made before April 1 and addressed to the Director, New England Conservatory of Music, 290 Huntington Avenue, Boston, Mass.

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That is the statement of Dr. Maurice E. Peters, President of the Massachusetts Dental Society, in the fifth of a series of articles issued by the Health Committee of the Massachusetts Committee on Public Safety.

Dr. Peters points out that the same health deficiency exists among persons in industrial employment; and since sound teeth are a major factor in sound health, proper care of the teeth is a component part of the entire defense program, since the efficiency with which our preparations are carried out is in no small way affected by the health of the people participating.

"Maintaining mouth health has for a long time been a real concern of the Federal Government through the United States Department of Public Health, of the states through the state departments of public health, and of the cities and towns through local school dental clinics and still, the present distressing conditions exist," he says.

"The problem is so great that it would tax the entire man power of the dental profession to render a satisfactory mouth health service to all draftees, both before and after entrance into military service. This clearly places a responsibility before every citizen to do his best to maintain his own mouth health by reducing the incidence of tooth decay and of pyorrhea."

"Throughout the period of life when body and teeth are developing, it is necessary that the diet should include all the materials necessary for building teeth and bones," says Dr. Peters.

"These are found in generous quantities in a diet comprising meat, fish, milk, eggs and dairy products, whole wheat bread, fresh vegetables, salads and fruits. The good which may result from such a diet may be entirely undone by the use of refined sugar and its products, either at or between meals."

"The order in which food is eaten has some effect on the continued cleanliness of the teeth. For instance, if fruit is eaten at the end of the meal, it helps to cleanse the teeth of any doughy or sticky desserts have a tendency to remain on the teeth for long periods after meals. An apple eaten at the end of a meal leaves the teeth almost entirely clean."

"The chewing of hard foods helps to stimulate the circulation of blood to the teeth and gums and also develops the muscles of the face. Moreover, the forcing of the teeth through hard foods helps cleanse the teeth by pushing off any substances adhering to them. Teeth should be cleaned after they have been soiled. That means brushing them after eating. It is well known that decay occurs most readily in places hard to keep clean, so tooth brushing should be done thoughtfully to cleanse all possible surfaces, using dental floss and toothpicks carefully to clean the surfaces between the teeth."

"Children should use a small brush and adults one of medium size. It is more effective to concentrate on small areas with small brushes than to cover too large areas at one time. Salt and water is a perfectly satisfactory solution with which to brush the teeth."

"For those who prefer a paste or powder, which may be more agreeable in taste, a list of approved dentifrices may be obtained by writing to the American Dental Association at 212 East Superior Street, Chicago, or your dentist can advise."

Still Time For Marmalades

By Frances Lee Barton

WHEN most fruits are scarce or off the market and the jelly closet is proving once more that you did not stock enough, get some of your year's "round" fruits and replenish your stock. Here is one recipe that may be used almost any time for a marmalade that is always good:

Orange, Grapefruit, and Lemon Marmalade

¾ cups (1½ lbs.) prepared fruit; 5 cups (2½ lbs.) sugar; ¼ bottle fruit pectin.

To prepare fruit, remove skins in quarters of one orange, one grapefruit and one lemon of medium size. Lay quarters flat; shave off and discard about half of white part. With a very sharp knife, cut remaining rind into fine shreds. Add 1½ cups water and ¼ teaspoon soda, bring to a boil, and simmer covered, for just 10 minutes, stirring occasionally. Cut off tight skin of peeled fruit and slip pulp out of each section. Add pulp and juice and 1 cup sugar to cooked rind. (This 1 cup sugar is in addition to the 5 cups specified above.) Simmer, covered, 20 minutes longer.

Measure sugar and prepared fruit solidly packed, into large kettle, flooding each cup with juice, or if necessary, with water. Bring to a boil and boil gently 5 minutes. Stir constantly before and while boiling. Remove from fire and stir in bottled fruit pectin. Then stir and skim by turns for just 5 minutes to cool slightly, to prevent floating fruit. Pour quickly. Paraffin hot marmalade at once. Makes about 8 glasses (8 fluid ounces each).

TOWN TOPICS

The first aid class which is being held each week at No. 4 schoolhouse, has a large registration. The class is being taught by Charles Repeta. Last week he had the assistance of George Billings of Greenfield.

Norman Miller, who is at the Watervliet Arsenal in New York, was a visitor at his home with his mother, Mrs. Sarella Miller, last week.

Tomorrow, Saturday, is the last day for all aliens to register as demanded by the Government. Go to your nearest Postoffice to register.

There will be a dance, with Everette orchestra officiating, at the Gill Town Hall this Friday evening from 8:30 to 11:30 under the auspices of the Gill PTA. All members of the Civilian Defense Committee and all serving in its various departments are to be identified by an arm band, which designates the service in which the wearer is enlisted. These bands are expected soon. All members will also soon be provided with identification cards.

One by one the many burnt cars, destroyed by the fire at Jordans Garage, have been taken away to a junk yard at Northampton.

Rev. Arthur Heeb, minister of the First Parish Unitarian Church of Northfield, will broadcast the service of worship each Monday morning at 9 o'clock during the month of March, over station WHAI, Greenfield.

A committee of the church school of the Unitarian Church, consisting of Mrs. Carroll Miller, Harlan Randall and Winona Robinson, have been appointed to secure a new national flag, as well as designing and purchasing a school flag.

The class in social expression and dancing being held every Monday evening in the social hall of the Unitarian Church is making real progress.

Mrs. Louise Allan, connected in the church with Mrs. Conner when she was the minister of the Universalist Church in Kansas City Mission, has been spending a week with the latter, and has just returned to her home in Connecticut.

People you may know



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The Men's Club will meet with William Hilliard next Monday evening.

Miss Virginia Bolton spent last week-end on a visit in New York city and enjoyed her experience much.

The Friendship Club will meet this Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock with Mrs. C. I. Holton.

There were eight tables at the card party at the Pond school last Friday evening. First prize was won by Mrs. H. B. Dunklee and Frederick Atherton.

Mrs. Rose Akley, who makes her home with her daughter, Mrs. Ada Newton, observed her 86th birthday anniversary on February 17.

Rev. W. H. Durfee of the Vernon Home observed his 88th birthday anniversary on February 25th. He enjoys very good health.

The annual town meeting of Vernon will be held next Tuesday at 11 o'clock at the Town Hall.

Vernon Home Sunday will be observed in the various Advent Christian churches in the district Sunday, March 8. It is also hoped to secure offerings of at least \$500. The endowment fund at present amounts to \$56,983.39. A. A. Dunklee is treasurer for the home and Rev. F. H. Leavitt is resident superintendent.

B. F. White, Jr., has entered the air corps and is at the technical school at Keesler Field, Miss. Miss Vera Vaughan, who has been confined to her home by illness the past week, is much improved and about.

There is a noticeable increase of activity about the railroad station at East Northfield when the trains come in. More people are using the rails in traveling.

Richard Steenbruggen, who is the rural carrier out of the South Vernon Postoffice, succeeded in his application to the Brattleboro district rationing board obtaining two car tires for his car.

Francis P. Twyon, 65, a former resident of South Vernon, died at his home in Greenfield Tuesday morning of a heart attack. He was born in South Vernon, October, 1876, and was the son of Jeremiah and Margaret (Frawley) Twyon. He had been a brakeman on the Boston and Maine Railroad for 38 years. The funeral was held in Holy Trinity Church in Greenfield, Thursday morning and burial was in Calvary cemetery. He is survived by his wife, three sons, a daughter, two grandchildren, three brothers and three sisters.

TOWN TOPICS

The members of the Association of University Women of the county branch will hold their next meeting next Thursday evening at the high school library in Greenfield.

The County Commissioners have announced that \$160,676.47 will be required by the mfor the expenses of the county government and that in the apportionment made, Northfield will be called upon for \$4,508.78.

Frank V. Sylvester, Jr., has received notice of his acceptance in the air corps of the army after having taken the examinations. The Grange held a business meeting Tuesday evening and after the session viewed air raid pictures at the Town Hall.

An apartment over the I. G. A. store has been rented to Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Putnam of Reading. Mr. Putnam will be employed at the hotel farm.



JOHN HASELTON
County Co-ordinator, Civilian
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Stranger (in the courtroom): "What time have you got, please?"
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EDITORIAL

FUEL QUESTION

We are told that there is a possibility of a fuel problem next winter and the word has gone forth through official sources that residents in this section will do well to begin the accumulation of a fuel supply. There is a real shortage of fuelwood in the state and farmers and others are urged to get out and cut their wood lots. In fact a wood fuel director is to be named for every city and town to get about and urge the cutting of available timber, without waste or destruction. Lucky will be the resident who can own a woodlot and get his fuel. He will be assured of warmth next winter, if coal and oil prove scarce.

AIR RAID TEST

The air raid test which will be given in 18 towns of this county on Sunday afternoon emphasizes the fact that we are in war. Northfield has its organization for civilian defense and much information has been given out of its divisions and efforts, as well as of its personnel. Sunday will witness how effective it can function when called upon for service and the test will provide a complete education for those participating. The test is presumed to simulate a real situation of the war emergency. Let's hope the reality will not materialize.

TO-DAY

I've shut the door on yesterday,
Its sorrows and mistakes;
I've locked within its gloomy walls
Past failures and heartaches.
And now I throw the key away
To seek another room,
And furnish it with hopes and smiles
And every Springtime bloom.
No thought shall enter this abode
That has a hint of pain,
And envy, malice and distrust
Shall never entrance gain.
I've shut the door on yesterday
And thrown the key away—
Tomorrow holds no fears for me,
Since I have found today.
—Vivian Y. Laramore.

MY RELIGION

I sat in all sorts of temples and churches
And many a sermon I heard.
In famous halls with marble walls
I listened to every word!
Where artists in words have painted
Their books with deftest touch.
There have I been
But it didn't sink in;
They never inspired me much.
The music was grand and proper.
The language faultless and free.
But they had little to say
For the things each day
Encountered by you and me!
So I mapped out my own religion
In a sort of homely plan;
Say—how will it do—
To be honest and true
And just love your fellow-man?
—Author unknown.

The Back Yard Gardener

By G. O. Olson

Well, I suppose some of you folks are busy getting things in shape for starting seeds in hotbeds, cold frames, or seed flats, whichever method you use. Commercial growers need to hit the early market, but for back yard gardeners my suggestion is—wait another two or three weeks, maybe longer, depending on where in the state you live.

Some folks have the idea that transplanting helps seedlings get

started, but that is not true. However, it's seldom practical to grow early plants without at least one transplanting. Of course it can be done. Sow your seeds thin enough in the first place. Then it's just a case of thinning them out and there is no need of transplanting. But if you really want my opinion on the matter, I'd say that back yard gardeners, particularly beginners, should forget about starting plants early. You can get good plants from professional seedsmen at a very cheap price, so why take the trouble of fussing, though I know some of us like the fuss.

If you insist, I'd certainly suggest that you write to the Massachusetts State College at Amherst, for a copy of Extension Leaflet No. 60, "Starting Plants Early." It's free to residents of the state.

I was reading not so long ago about the use of sphagnum moss for starting seedlings. Most folks use sand or a mixture of soil and sand in their seed flats. It's not saying that it's the thing to do, but it might be interesting to try if you like to start your seedlings indoors.

When you use sphagnum moss you fill your seed flat about half full of sand or loam or compost or whatever you use, and then the rest of the flat with well shredded sphagnum moss. Pack it so that the surface is about one-half inch below the top of your flat. Be sure that the soil is well watered and also the moss.

They recommend rubbing the sphagnum moss through hardware cloth of three meshes to the inch. I suppose if you don't have the hardware cloth you could shred your moss in some other way.

Sprinkle your seeds on the moss and cover with a pane of glass. Keep it out of the sunlight until the seeds have germinated. As the seedlings develop, admit air gradually. If the moss is thoroughly wet at the start no further water is required until a few days after germination, although this may vary. It's difficult to detect when the moss is dry, so be on the safe side and add water if in doubt. Using sphagnum moss, the article states, eliminates to a very large extent any danger of damping-off. The seedlings, when they are a couple of weeks old, can be merely lifted right out of the sphagnum moss without a great deal of harm to the roots and transplanted. If you supply nutrients in your water, you could keep the seedlings in the moss for several months without a great deal of harm. Well, as I say, that's just an idea. You might like to try it out if you insist on growing your own plants.

Popular With All

By Frances Lee Barlow
These apple sauce cookies are tops with the rookies. Loved by Yard Birds and General. Put one in the lunch box. Send a score to the table. Mail a gross to the soldier. And prove this is true.

Apple Sauce Cookies
2 1/2 cups sifted cake flour; 1 teaspoon cinnamon; 1/4 teaspoon cloves; 1 teaspoon salt; 2 teaspoons soda; 1/2 cup butter or other shortening; 1 teaspoon lemon rind; cup sugar; 2 eggs, unbeaten; 1 cup apple sauce; 1/2 cup chopped nuts.
Sift flour once, measure, add spices, salt, and soda, and sift three times. Cream butter and lemon rind, add sugar gradually, creaming until light and fluffy. Add eggs and beat well. Add flour, alternately with apple sauce, a small amount at a time, beating after each addition until smooth. Add nuts. Drop from teaspoon on greased baking sheet 2 inches apart. Bake in hot oven (400° F.) 8 to 10 minutes. Makes about 6 dozen cookies.

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An American was prowling around a Scottish churchyard. His eyes met an epitaph, "Lord, she was thin."
"Say, sexton, what d'ye make of that?" he asked.
"That's all right, sir; the sculptor went over near the edge of the stone and didn't leave room for the 'e'."

Two boys were discussing the capabilities of their mothers, who were active club members.
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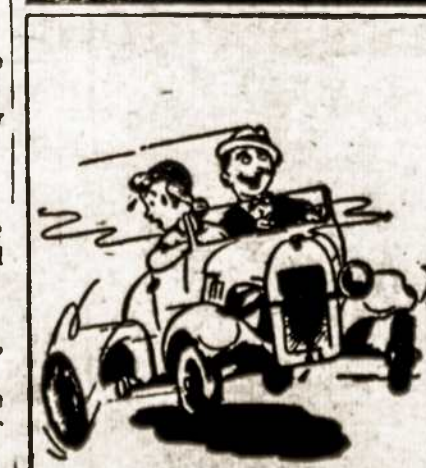
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